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**Henry Rupert Wilhoit, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1935  
Education: Kentucky 1960 LLB  
Began Service: 1981  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Grayson, Kentucky (1962-1966); County Attorney, Office of the County Attorney, County of Carter, Kentucky (1966-1970)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Wilhoit & Wilhoit (1960-1981)

**Current Memberships:** American College of Trial Lawyers; Federal Judges Association; Kentucky Bar Association

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**William O. Bertelsman**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1936  
Education: Xavier (OH) 1958 BA; Cincinnati 1961 JD  
Began Service: November 29, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Faculty, College of Law, University of Cincinnati (1965-1972); Faculty, Federal Judicial Center (1981-1982)

**Government:** City Attorney and Prosecutor, Office of the City Prosecutor, City of Covington, Kentucky (1962-1969)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Bertelsman & Bertelsman (1962-1979)

**Military Service:** Ohio and Kentucky National Guard (1958-1963); United States Army (1963-1964)

**Nonprofit:** Faculty, ALI-ABA, The American Law Institute

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Judicial Conference of the United States; Kentucky Bar Association; Northern Kentucky Bar Association

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Term Expires: December 31, 2011  
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**Karl S. Forester**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
Education: Kentucky 1962 BA, 1966 JD  
Began Service: July 27, 1988  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Attorney, Eugene Goss, Esq (1966-1968); Partner, Goss & Forester (1968-1975); Partner, Forester, Forester, Buttermore & Turner (1976-1988)

**Current Memberships:** American Association for Justice; American Judicature Society; Harlan County Bar Association; Kentucky Bar Association

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**Joseph M. Hood**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Kentucky 1965 BS, 1972 JD  
Began Service: May 1, 1990  
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

**Academic:** Graduate Assistant in Economics, University of Kentucky (1965-1966)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable David Hermansdorfer, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (1972-1976)

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (1976-1990); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (2005-2007)

**Military Service:** United States Army (1966-1970)

**Current Memberships:** Fayette County Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Kentucky Bar Association; Sixth Circuit District Judges Association

**Staff**

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Began Service: 2006  
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**J. Gregory Wehrman**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1944  
Education: Cincinnati 1966 BA; Kentucky 1969 JD  
Began Service: January 1992  
Term Expires: 2016  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge (part-time), United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky (1975-1992)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1969-1992)

**Current Memberships:** Kentucky Bar Association; Northern Kentucky Bar Association

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**James B. Todd**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1939  
Education: Kentucky 1963 BS, 1966 JD  
Began Service: April 1, 1994

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1966-1994)

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Donald W. Stanford** ..... (859) 233-2697  
Education: Murray State U 1974 BS;  
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**Robert E. Wier**  
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: September 2006  
Term Expires: August 2014

**Staff**

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**Chambers of Magistrate Judge Edward B. Atkins**

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**Edward B. Atkins**  
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: August 2006  
Term Expires: August 2014

**Staff**

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**Joseph M. Scott, Jr.**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Notre Dame 1968 BA; Kentucky 1971 JD  
Began Service: 1999  
Term Expires: 2013

**Affiliation:** Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit

**Legal Practice:** Stoll, Keenon & Park

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute

**Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge William S. Howard**

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**William S. Howard**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Kentucky 1966 BS, 1969 JD  
Began Service: March 19, 1990

**Judicial:** Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Sixth Circuit (1990-2005)

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